

1 Minutes of the Centerville **City Council Work Session** held Tuesday, August 18, 2026 at 5:45
2 pm, with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

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4 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

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6 Mayor Clark Wilkinson

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8 Council Members Robyn Mecham
9 Brian Plummer
10 Cheylynn Hayman
11 Rick Bangerter
12 Gina Hirst

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14 **STAFF PRESENT**

15 Brant Hanson, City Manager
16 Lisa Romney, City Attorney
17 Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
18 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
19 Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
20 Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
21 Bryce King, Administrative Services Director
22 Allen Ackerson, Chief of Police
23 Galiath Gardner, Code Enforcement Officer

24 **DISCUSSION – INTRODUCTION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

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26 Community Development Director Mike Eggett introduced Galiath Gardner, who joined
27 the City as its new Code Enforcement Officer on July 13, 2026. Mr. Eggett highlighted Mr.
28 Gardner's prior four-year career with the TSA, including supervisory experience, and noted his
29 early efforts to benchmark the City's program, improve reporting systems, participate in the Utah
30 Ordinance Compliance Association, and proactively address commercial signage and residential
31 complaints. Mr. Gardner explained that his enforcement philosophy emphasized education and
32 voluntary compliance before fines or misdemeanor referrals and that he was working to
33 modernize the City's code enforcement tracking system.

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35 The Council expressed support for the new position and Mr. Gardner's education-first
36 approach. Councilmember Bangerter suggested sending commercial property owners a reminder
37 regarding business license requirements for their tenants, and Mr. Eggett supported the idea and
38 suggested similar proactive communication regarding seasonal parking concerns.
39 Councilmembers and the Mayor emphasized that the purpose of code enforcement was to
40 maintain the community rather than generate revenue through fines. The Council requested that
41 Mr. Gardner's contact information be distributed to Councilmembers.

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43 **PUMP TRACK LOCATION**

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45 Parks and Recreation Director Bruce Cox provided an update on the bike pump track
46 project and explained that a specific site needed to be selected before a designer could be
47 engaged, as existing grades, parcel dimensions, utilities, and available acreage would be
48 necessary to develop a meaningful design and cost estimate. Mr. Cox reviewed the sites
49 previously considered, noting that his first preference had been the area adjacent to Smith Park
50 and City Hall because of its existing restrooms, lighting, parking, proximity to the Police

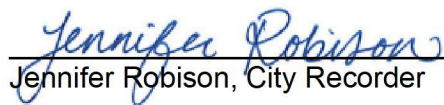
1 Department, and access to mountain trails via Parrish Lane. His second preference was the
2 southwest corner of Community Park, although that location would involve wetlands and require
3 coordination with the Army Corps and UDOT. Additional discussion identified Freedom Hills Park
4 and Porter Walton Park as potential alternatives. Freedom Hills offered substantial undeveloped
5 space and access to a switchback trail leading to Firebrick Road, while Porter Walton had existing
6 parking, high visibility, proximity to the library and commercial areas, and potential to serve
7 residents from surrounding communities. Mr. Cox explained that a functional pump track could be
8 constructed on approximately one-half acre, while larger facilities could serve as regional
9 destinations.

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11 Council discussion focused on the long-term suitability and distribution of recreational
12 amenities. Councilmember Hirst expressed concern about committing the Smith Park area to
13 permanent infrastructure given potential future City Hall and public safety building needs and
14 noted that Community Park was already heavily used. She supported considering locations that
15 would provide greater recreational opportunities in underserved areas of the City. Councilmember
16 Bangerter noted that Porter Walton was currently the least-utilized City park and suggested it
17 could benefit from a pump track, particularly given its location near the library, residential
18 developments, and commercial areas. He also recommended seeking input from the Parks and
19 Recreation Committee, Trails Committee, and the public. The Council generally identified Porter
20 Walton Park and Freedom Hills Park as the most viable options, while expressing caution about
21 Smith Park and Community Park due to future planning, environmental, and UDOT-related
22 uncertainties. The Council agreed to refer Porter Walton, Freedom Hills, and Community Park to
23 the Parks and Recreation and Trails Committees for additional input before selecting a final
24 location. Mr. Cox indicated that the design grant could be held for approximately one month to
25 allow for the review.

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27 No formal vote was taken. The item was deferred pending committee input.

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29 **ADJOURNMENT**

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31 At 7:06 pm, Councilmember Hayman **moved** to adjourn the work session which passed
32 unanimously (5-0).

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37 Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

09/01/2026

Date Approved

